Exhibit 25

Deposition of John Mulkey (April 19, 2017) (excerpted)

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DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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FITCH, on behalf of)
themselves and all others)
similarly situated,)

Plaintiffs,)
vs. | Case No. |
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ZUFFA, LLC, d/b/a Ultimate |
Fighting Championship and)
UFC, | Defendant. |

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VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF

JOHN MULKEY

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86 88 1 We had growth desires in Asia, and their 1 Zuffa -- that Zuffa took out in 2007? 2 2 A. I don't know. brand would have been a great brand to lead that 3 3 growth objective in Asia. Q. As you sit here today, do you know what 4 Asia can be a difficult place to do 4 this FAQ was used for? 5 business and certainly a difficult place to establish 5 A. I could speculate that it was a tool for --6 a brand for the first time. 6 based upon the date by which I sent it, in or around 7 7 Pride had achieved a lot of brand our fund-raising, that it might have been a tool for 8 8 recognition in Asia, and that was -- that was the Amish to disseminate to his sales force, who 9 primary objective of this acquisition. 9 obviously like to know as much about a company as 10 10 BY MR. WEILER: possible before they interact with their buy-side 11 11 clients, who would may buy the loan. Q. So turning to the next page here of this 12 document, I'm reading from the first sentence. It 12 O. Did vou draft this FAO here? 13 13 A. Highly unlikely because I don't usually do says: 14 "Among Zuffa's three MMA brands, 14 FAOs. 15 15 Q. Did you revise or edit this FAQ? if UFC holds the dominant market 16 16 A. No recollection of such. position within the sport." 17 17 These typically are generated in a PR Do you see where it says that? 18 18 A. Yes. context within our company. 19 Q. Was that an accurate statement as of the 19 Q. And so, who within the PR context may have 20 20 time that it was drafted here in 2007? drafted this FAQ, if you know? 21 21 A. I do not know. A. I believe so, yes. 22 22 Q. And you see reference to "the sport" here. Q. But as you sit here today, do you know one 23 way or the other whether this was something Zuffa Is that sport MMA? 23 24 24 drafted or something Deutsche Bank drafted? A. Most likely, yes. 25 MR. WEILER: I'd like to mark as an 25 A. Odds are UFC drafted this, and we were 87 89 exhibit, Exhibit 16, a document bearing the Bates providing it to the bank, like I mentioned before, possibly for a sales force tool. 2 label DB-ZUFFA-00020302, which is an email attaching 2 3 an attachment that runs consecutively starting at 3 Q. Turning to the document Bates labeled 4 DB-ZUFFA-00020303 and runs through 306. 4 20304, it's the second page of the FAQ. Do you see 5 5 (Exhibit 16 was marked for where it says, the very first line of the first 6 identification by the reporter.) 6 answer: 7 7 BY MR. WEILER: "Based on all comparable metrics, 8 Q. Do you recognize this document, Mr. Mulkey? 8 UFC is clearly the 800-pound gorilla 9 9 A. It appears to be an FAQ sheet, possibly in the MMA industry." 10 10 sent to Amish in May of '07. Do you see where it says that? 11 Q. And this first page of the document here, 11 A. Yes. 12 this email chain, is this an email chain that you 12 Q. Was that an accurate statement as of May of 13 sent and received in your capacity as CFO of Zuffa? 13 2007? 14 A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat that. Can I 14 A. That we were 800-pound gorillas? Is that 15 15 your question? what? O. Is the statement that is made there 16 Q. Yeah. So on the first page of this 16 17 17 exhibit, there's an employee chain between, I think, accurate? 18 18 A. It wouldn't have been a phrase that I would you and Amish Barot at Deutsche Bank. 19 Is this email chain something that you sent 19 have used, but the 800-pound gorilla slang, I 20 and received as part of your duties as Zuffa's CFO? 20 suppose, could have applied to UFC in a promotional 21 21 A. If I was interacting with Amish, yeah. He context. 22 22 was the banker at Deutsche Bank. So we are talking about our company to a 23 23 specific set of institutional investors who like Q. And does this FAQ that's the back part of 24 the exhibit here, is this FAO something that was 24 information dumbed down to them, in this case a sales 25 25 presented as part of the credit facility that agent on the desk. Possibly that was the basis for

90 92 1 such vernacular, but I would not have used such 1 here. 2 2 words, no. But perhaps they were trying to compare our 3 Q. In your mind, is saying that the UFC is an 3 sport to more major league sports that have such 4 800-pound gorilla in the MMA industry another way of leagues as that. So I don't know. But that wouldn't 5 saying that it's dominant? have been my phraseology that I would have used. 6 A. Well, again, "dominant" isn't a word I 6 Q. But do you think that phraseology is then 7 7 would have used either. inaccurate? 8 I would have -- I would taken more of a 8 A. I don't think it's inaccurate; I just think 9 metric approach, like, you know, I think we --9 it's not precise as it could be. 10 there's probably information that we could derive on Q. Do you see where it says here on the third 11 this fragmented group, such as number of events and 11 question, the answer in the middle of the paragraph: 12 12 output, thing like that, that's easily verifiable. "Fighters that sign a contract 13 13 But I'm a finance guy, so I tend to want with the UFC are unable to fight in 14 14 things to not be slang; I want them to be accurate. any other MMA organization. 15 15 And I recall at this time that we were Notably, the UFC actively structures 16 16 hosting more events than any of our competitors at contracts to limit fixed costs. 17 17 Generally, the UFC signs fighters to that time. 18 18 Possible exception of IFL because I think one- to three-year contracts and 19 they had weekly stuff. This is a rough comment, but 19 pays them an agreed upon amount each 20 20 on an output metric, we were doing more events than time they fight." 21 21 anybody else. Do you see where it says that? 22 Q. When you say "output metric," are you A. Yes. 23 referring to --Q. Is any part of that statement inaccurate as 24 A. Number of events. of the time it was written in May of 2007? 25 25 Q. - number of events? A. I think it's accurate but lacking 91 93 1 1 precision, from a finance perspective. A. Yes. 2 Q. Would the same statement be true with 2 Q. And how from a finance perspective would 3 respect to the UFC's revenues vis-a-vis any of its 3 you improve upon the accuracy, if in fact you could? 4 4 A. Well, you refer to the first sentence where competitors? 5 5 it says -- and I'll give you an example. This is A. Well, again, while I know our revenues, 6 outside of the IFL, which was a public company and 6 what it says: 7 7 probably had to produce public documents at some "Fighters that sign a contract 8 point in their evolution, and outside of certain 8 with UFC are unable to fight in any 9 9 states that publicly disclose ticket revenues. other MMA organization." 10 10 So fighters that sign -- so reality is, to there's no way for us to precisely know what any of 11 11 be more precise, what I would have said as a finance those companies' revenues were. 12 Q. Fair enough. 12 person speaking to other finance people is: 13 13 "While fighters are under Do you see where it says here, the last 14 14 contract, they typically are sentence of this same paragraph: 15 15 "The UFC and top MMA athletes exclusive contracts, and while the 16 generally view non-UFC associations 16 contract is in place, they cannot 17 17 as the minor leagues for training fight in other MMA organizations 18 18 without our permission." grounds for future UFC fighters." 19 19 If you read that sentence in a vacuum, you Do you see where it says that? 20 A. Yes. 20 might interpret it to say that you are done fighting 21 Q. Was that an accurate statement as of May 21 if you're not fighting UFC, right? That would be an 22 22 example of how I could make, again, finance talking 23 23 A. Well, again, I would have maybe referred to to finance, a more precise comment. 24 certain non-UFC, you know, associations as more 24 O. As of May 2007, did UFC have its fighters 25 25 under exclusive long-term contracts? regionally focused than the verbiage that's used

94 96 1 A. I know we had fighter contracts that had 1 THE WITNESS: I don't recall any specific 2 2 duration in time and duration in number of bouts. concerns from lenders about fighter pay, other than 3 My recollection is that they were all 3 fighter pay as a component of all of our expenses and 4 generally exclusive to us within that window of time. our ability to run a profitable enterprise. 5 Q. Did you consider material for purposes of 5 BY MR. WEILER: 6 UFC's disclosures to its lenders, such as this, that 6 Q. And what do you recall about those concerns 7 7 the UFC had its fighters under the exclusive as part of an overall picture of Zuffa's costs? 8 8 A. I don't remember anything specific to it contracts that you just described? 9 A. I think that the audience that we were 9 either way. I just know that, like any lender, they 10 10 would want to evaluate the creditworthiness of the speaking to when we prepared documents such as the 11 confidential information memorandum were catered to 11 borrower before they would make an investment. And 12 12 income is a fairly substantial variable in the institute -- you know, the qualified 13 institutional buyers, savvy institutional investors, 13 creditworthiness. 14 but they're also credit investors. So credit 14 Q. For purposes of Zuffa's creditworthiness, 15 15 investors want to know what their assets are, and was it important that Zuffa had leverage over its 16 they like certain types of assets, and they dislike 16 fighters with respect to fighter compensation? 17 other types of assets. 17 A. I don't think "leverage" is the right word. 18 One of the things that we thought was 18 When thinking about it, generally speaking, I think 19 positive for our company and our creditworthiness was 19 they probably want to know, do we have control of our 20 the fact that our many fighters had -- they were 20 expenses in general. Are there things in the 21 exclusive to us, so they couldn't just after this 21 marketplace that are changing. Is this company's 22 borrowing is funded go fight for the WWE or boxing or 22 growth prospects that they are showing us defensible. 23 whatever competitor was out there. 23 Are rents in arenas going up or down. Is the cost of 24 So that would be one reason why we would 24 electricity at arenas going up or down. 25 highlight the terms in those contracts because we 25 I would think in that context would be the 95 97 1 would get those questions a lot. And the goal of type of questions that we might get from lenders 2 2 prior to them investing. this memorandum is usually to explain to them how 3 your company operates, what business is it in, and 3 Q. So is it important with respect to Zuffa's 4 what are some of the assets. 4 creditworthiness that Zuffa had control over fighter 5 5 Q. Directing your attention here to the last compensation? 6 6 A. Well, it would certainly be a better page, the question at the top: 7 scenario than having no control over fighter 7 "How does UFC balance the 8 retention of best MMA fighters 8 compensation. 9 9 without overpaying?" Q. So, yes? 10 10 A. So, yes. In that context. Do you see where it says that? 11 11 A. Yes. Q. Directing your attention to the text here 12 Q. Was it your understanding that Zuffa's 12 that's, I think, the third sentence, it starts: 13 13 lenders were concerned about fighter pay? "When no individual fighter can 14 14 A. Let me read this paragraph first and then dramatically affect the economics of 15 15 answer. Is that okay? an event, the UFC believes that it 16 Q. Of course. Take all the time. 16 retains the leverage to contain 17 17 A. Okay, I've read the paragraph. I'm sorry. costs when needed." 18 What was the question again? 18 Do you see where it says that? 19 MR. WEILER: Could we please have that 19 A. Yes. 20 20 Q. Was that an accurate statement as of May of question read back. 21 21 (The record was read by the 2007? 22 22 reporter as follows: A. At the risk of reading that sentence 23 23 without the context before it, let me introduce the "Q. Was it your understanding 24 that Zuffa's lenders were concerned 24 context. 25 25 about fighter pay?") So there were -- so our audience for this

214 216 1 generically to our P and Ls for events, which is also 1 (Exhibit 36 was marked for 2 2 referred to as -- a pro forma is often referred to as identification by the reporter.) 3 a budget. So he might either have been referring to 3 BY MR. WEILER: 4 a specific fight budget or just general fight budget. 4 Q. Do you recognize this document, Mr. Mulkey? 5 Q. Now, what did you mean when you said, "We 5 A. Yes. 6 probably lose money on them either way, UFC or 6 Q. And is this an email chain that reflects 7 7 Strikeforce"? emails that you sent and received as well as an 8 8 A. I was probably referring to fighters in attachment something that you sent and received in 9 general on undercards. 9 the ordinary course of your duties as Zuffa's CFO? 10 10 Often, the undercards, certainly the A. Yes. 11 Q. And turning to the attachment to this Strikeforce undercards are not televised and they 11 12 12 don't necessarily generate any revenues. So you have email, what is this document? 13 obvious expenses because you're paying fighters to 13 A. This document appears to be a draft of a 14 14 fight, but you have no demand for that particular credit opinion that would have been generated by 15 15 fight from, say, a television standpoint. Moody's Investors Service that is either -- oh, it's 16 16 I'm guessing, but I think that's probably their annual update of their credit opinion for 17 what I was referring to. 17 Zuffa. 18 18 So they would send these out annually, and Q. And so, the money that you're referring to 19 there would be money that would be generated by other 19 additionally, when we would do new credit facilities, 20 20 fighters who could attract pay-per-view audiences? they would be -- they would update their reports that 21 MS. GRIGSBY: Objection, characterization. 21 were specific to those new facilities. 22 22 THE WITNESS: Yeah, that's not what I said. Q. And are these your handwritten edits to the 23 BY MR. WEILER: draft credit report? 24 Q. So what money -- what money would UFC lose A. They appear to be my edits to their draft. 25 by paying these fighters who, in your words, aren't Q. And did you review this draft for accuracy 215 217 1 cuttable? concerning statements that were made about Zuffa? 2 2 A. I would have endeavored to do so. However, A. Well, I think, by definition, if we're 3 3 talking about filling out the prelims of a fight, they rarely give you a lot of time to review 4 whether Strikeforce or UFC, we generally put less 4 documents, and they also remind you that I'm just 5 5 supposed to look for -- they just want me to correct marketable matchups lower on a card than higher on a card. Fox pays us for the top part of the card and factual errors, this is their words, "and/or 6 7 doesn't pay us in many cases for the bottom part of 7 inadvertent disclosure of confidential information." 8 the card. 8 Q. So turning to the first page of the 9 9 I don't recall Strikeforce's deal, but I attachment running into the second document that 10 10 wouldn't be surprised if the preliminary fights on says -- I'm sorry -- the last sentence on the page, 11 11 Strikeforce weren't even televised at that point. it starts: 12 So if you take a UFC fighter -- now, I'm 12 "Since UFC's acquisition by Zuffa 13 generalizing, but if you took a 10 and 10 UFC fighter 13 in 2001, Zuffa has consolidated 14 14 and put him on a card when the prior owners of other weaker performing industry 15 Strikeforce were putting on a guy who made 500 bucks, 15 competitors under its umbrella, such 16 there's a Delta in that expense. That Delta, you 16 as WEC in October of 2006, WFA in 17 17 could argue, might be a loss for us because there's December of 2006, Pride in May 2006, 18 18 no associated revenue increase other than the and Strikeforce in 2011, which has 19 fighter's parents who might have bought a couple 19 further strengthened its market 20 tickets to the fight. 20 position." 21 21 MR. WEILER: I'd like to mark as an exhibit Do you see where it says that? 22 22 a document that consists of an email bearing the A. Yes. 23 23 Bates label ZFL1081152 and an attachment to that Q. Is that an accurate statement as of 24 email that bears the Bates label 1081154 running 24 January 2014? 25 25 through 1081158. MS. GRIGSBY: Objection to form.

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220 218 1 THE WITNESS: I wouldn't say it's 1 A. I don't know what it is today. I recall 2 2 back when this email was going back and forth that it inaccurate. I think it's directionally accurate, but 3 was a -- an MMA promotion that I think was only women 3 it wouldn't have been my choice of words. 4 BY MR. WEILER: 4 5 5 Q. So around the time of this email in Q. Now, what do you mean by "directionally 6 accurate"? 6 November 2013, did Zuffa have a business relationship 7 7 A. Meaning I sort of understand what she's with Invicta? A. My recollection from reading this email 8 saying, that through a purchase of another company 8 9 that does events, the acquiror would, by definition, 9 suggests that we were discussing having a business 10 10 arrangement with Invicta in some form or fashion. do more events and hence be a bigger company. 11 11 Q. Do you know what the outcome was of the I wouldn't have necessarily used the 12 12 language that she used, though, about strengthening discussion that's reflected here in Exhibit 37? 13 13 A. Not the specifics, but my general its market position. 14 I mean, it's not that it's -- it just 14 recollection was that we might have been acquiring 15 15 certain fights, the content of certain fights, and doesn't -- it just doesn't tell me anything. 16 16 that -- I really don't remember. Q. I'd like to direct your attention to the 17 17 It would suggest that in this chain that we third paragraph on the second page of the credit 18 18 report -- of the ratings report, draft ratings were going to -- no, sounds like this chain is a 19 19 bunch of us asking what's going on with Invicta. report. 20 20 The very last sentence, it reads in part: Q. Did Zuffa pay Invicta money around the time 21 "Bellator Fighting Championships a 21 of this email in November '13 to subsidize the costs 22 of MMA events that were promoted by Invicta? distant competitor of UFC." 23 23 Do you see that? A. I recall that arrangement being discussed, 24 24 A. I'm sorry. What page are you on? but I don't recall the final negotiated settlement or 25 Q. I'm on the second page of the draft to arrangement. 219 221 1 ratings report, ZFL1081155. 1 Q. So directing your attention to what appears 2 A. Oh, okay. 2 to be a message that you wrote dated November 20, Okay, I see the paragraph you're referring 3 3 2013 that it says: 4 to. 4 "This feels like a way for her to 5 Q. Did you interlineate the word "distant" 5 monetize an asset that will be 6 between the words "of" and "competitor" here on 6 worthless the moment she shuts her 7 page 2? Is that your handwriting? 7 doors which she probably knows is in 8 A. It looks like my handwriting, yes. 8 a few weeks. Do we really need the MR. WEILER: I'd like to mark as an 9 9 aggravation in the meantime." 10 10 exhibit -- 37, is that right -- Exhibit 37, a Do you see where it says that? 11 document bearing the Bates label ZFL12535916 running 11 A. Yes. 12 through 12535917. 12 Q. Who is the "she" that you're referring to 13 (Exhibit 37 was marked for 13 there? 14 14 identification by the reporter.) A. Most likely, that was either the face of 15 15 BY MR. WEILER: the promotion or possibly the owner, a lady named 16 Q. Do you recognize this document, Mr. Mulkey? 16 Shannon. 17 17 Q. And what were you referring to when you 18 18 Q. And is this document an email chain in said, "This feels like a way for Shannon to monetize 19 which you sent and received email messages as part of 19 an asset that will be worthless the moment she shuts 20 20 your duties as Zuffa's CFO? her doors"? 21 21 A. I don't know precisely what I was referring 22 22 Q. Have you ever heard of an MMA promotion to, but I could have been referring to, she was 23 23 called Invicta? clearly struggling to make ends meet is my 24 24 recollection, and she might have had obligations 25 25 O. And what is Invicta? through fighter contracts that we could help her

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222 224 1 with, which, you know, has happened before, not with 1 don't want to know the substance of any 2 her but other leads. communications you may have had with attorneys from 3 So I'm speculating, but that might be where 3 Boies Schiller prior to today, but I just want to I was coming from on this. 4 know, "Yes" or "No," did you meet with attorneys from 5 Q. And so, Kirk Hendrick responds to you, it Boies Schiller in order to prepare for the testimony 6 looks like the next day, on November 21, and he says: that you were giving here today? 7 7 "I think Lorenzo and Dana are A. Yes. 8 8 trying to help her out and trying to Q. And how many times did you meet with 9 keep the women's minor league 9 attorneys from Boies Schiller? 10 10 A. Once. intact." 11 11 Q. And how long did you meet with them? Do you see where it says that? 12 12 A. Yes. A. It was yesterday, so full, full day, 13 13 notwithstanding a delightful lunch. Q. Is that an accurate statement? 14 MS. GRIGSBY: Objection, foundation, calls 14 Q. They do have nice lunches here at 15 15 for speculation. Boies Schiller. 16 16 MR. WEILER: We're going to go off the THE WITNESS: Yeah, I see where he said 17 that, but I don't have specific knowledge of the 17 record briefly and confer with my colleague. 18 18 veracity of that comment. No reason to believe it THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now going off the 19 wasn't true, but that sounds like he might have had a 19 record. The time is approximately 5:34 p.m. 20 20 conversation that I didn't have. (A recess was taken.) 21 BY MR. WEILER: 21 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now back on the 22 22 O. Is Mr. Hendrick's characterization of record. The time is approximately 5:42 p.m. 23 23 Invicta as the women's minor league accurate? MR. WEILER: I'd like mark as an exhibit, 24 24 Exhibit 38, a document bearing the Bates label, email A. I wouldn't be able to assess Kirk's 25 perspective on this accurately. 25 starting at DB-ZUFFA-00043106 and an attachment that 223 225 1 Q. Do you have a view on the accuracy of that 1 starts at DB-ZUFFA-00043107 and runs through 43125. 2 2 (Exhibit 38 was marked for statement of your own? 3 A. I don't. 3 identification by the reporter.) 4 Q. So I believe earlier today, you testified 4 BY MR. WEILER: 5 5 that you resigned from Zuffa in 2016; is that Q. Do you recognize this document, Mr. Mulkey? 6 6 A. Yes. This appears to be a draft correct? 7 7 confidential information memorandum for a late 2009 MS. GRIGSBY: Objection, mischaracterizes 8 testimony. financing with edits. 9 THE WITNESS: My last day at Zuffa was 9 Q. And so, is this email that appears at the 10 10 first page of the Exhibit 38 and the attachment, are December 31st of 2015. 11 BY MR. WEILER: 11 they documents that you sent in your capacity as 12 12 Q. And why did you leave Zuffa in 2015? Zuffa's CFO? 13 A. No specific reason other than my 13 A. Yes. 14 14 Q. And directing your attention to page of resignation. 15 15 Q. Did you meet with any current or former the -- of the draft CIM, it bears the Bates label 16 Zuffa employees in connection with the testimony that 16 DB-ZUFFA-00043116, there's a number of edits that 17 17 you're giving here today? 18 18 A. No. My question to you, Mr. Mulkey, is whether 19 19 Q. Now, other than materials that were these are your edits? 20 20 A. This appears to be my handwriting, so these provided to you by your counsel at Boies Schiller or 21 21 other counsel that you may have, did you review any would be my edits. 22 22 materials in order to prepare for the testimony that Q. And directing your attention back to page 23 23 of the CIM bearing the Bates label DB-ZUFFA-00043114, you've been giving here today? 24 A. I don't recall so, no. 24 the same question, Mr. Mulkey: Are these your 25 25 Q. And I just want to know "Yes" or "No," I handwritten edits?

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